GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

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RENT CONTROL ACT
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States/UTs exempted Wakf properties from the purview of their respective State Rent Control Act;

(b) the number of States where such property is under their Rent Control Act;

(c) whether it is a fact that after exempting the Wakf property from Rent Control Act, the commercial utilization of Wakf property has increased;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government propose to take up the matter with the State Governments to exempt the Wakf properties for commercial use; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. MANEKA GANDHI)

(a) and (b) Wakf properties have been exempted from the purview of the respective Rent Control Act in Assam, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Pondicherry and Uttar Pradesh.

(c)and(d) While no specific information is available regarding the effect on commercial utilization of Wakf properties following their exemption from the Rent Control Act, such exemption has facilitated management of Wakf properties.

(e) and (f) The matter has already been taken up with the other States/Union Territories.